

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re the Application of:

Hirotaka NISHIZAWA et al.

Appln. No.: 09/756,867

Group Art Unit: 2876

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Examiner: J. Fureman

For: INTEGRATED CIRCUIT CARD HAVING STAGGERED SEQUENCES

OF CONNECTOR TERMINALS

Allowed: July 29, 2003

Confirmation No.: 6209

COMMENTS ON STATEMENT OF REASONS FOR ALLOWANCE

Commissioner for Patents P.O. Box 1450 Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

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Sir:

It is noted that the Reasons for Allowance do not precisely track the wording of independent Claims 2 and 3, in particular. However, it is apparent that the allowance of all of the claims is supported by the arguments presented in the Amendment dated July 15, 2003.

Respectfully submitted,

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